

Water Rights in Kansas



KANSAS
DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE

Division of Water
Resources

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Our goal is to provide sound management of the state's water resources for proper conservation, management, regulation and control of water and watercourses of the state. Water users and the public at large can be assured of a balanced and sensible approach to water resource management, conservation and regulation.



Division of Water Resources

- Four Sub-Programs
 - Water Appropriation
 - Water Structures
 - Sub-Basin Management Team
 - Technical Services
- Part of Kansas Department of Agriculture
- Main Office Located in Downtown Topeka
- 50 Headquarters Staff
- 30 Field Office Staff

Numbers of Active Water Rights

Active Vested Rights	1503
Total Appropriation Files	47273
Active Appropriation Files	30580
Dismissed Appropriation Files	16693
Files Dismissed Prior to Approval	5337

Current Activites

CREP was passed this Legislative session

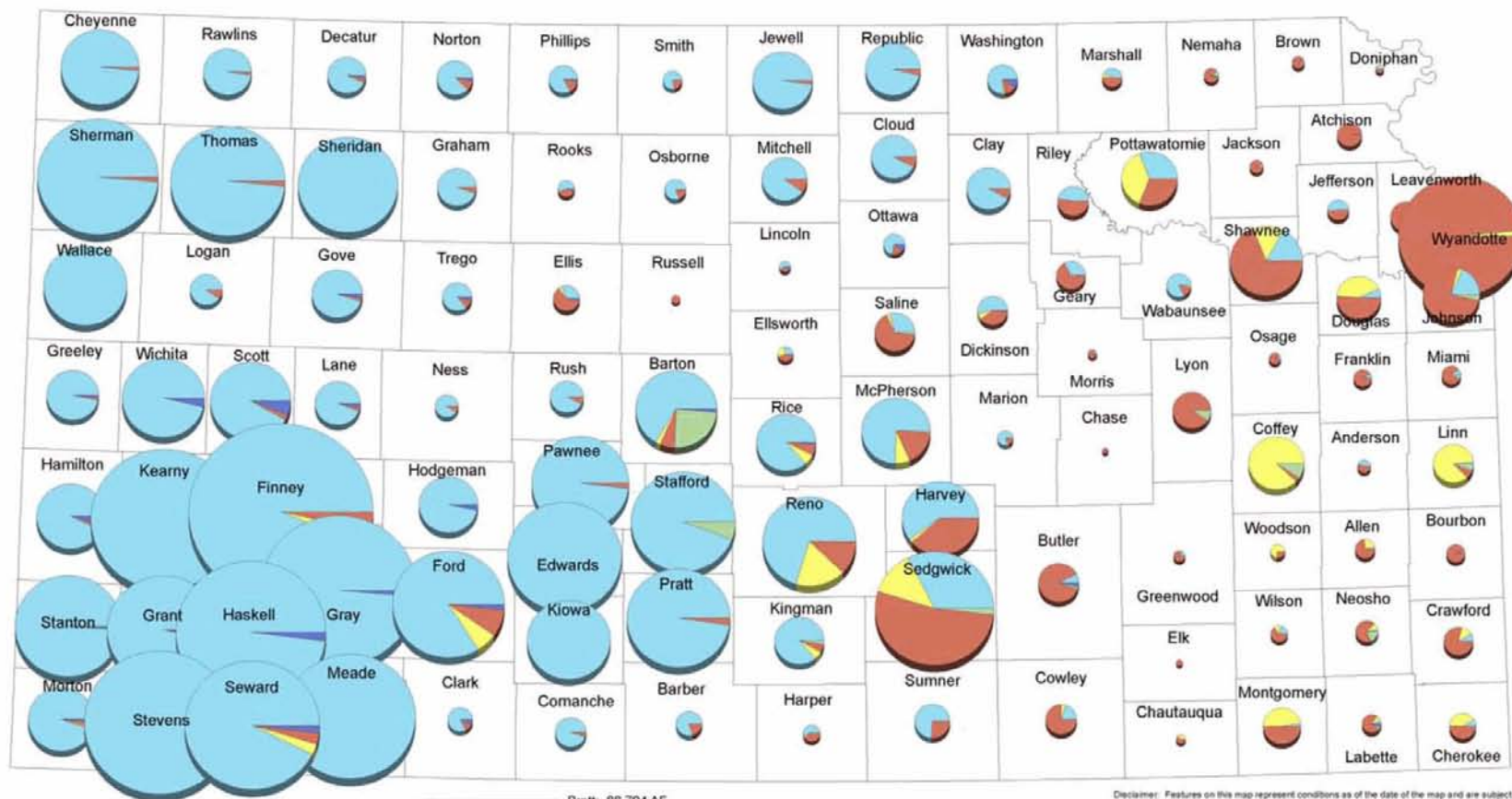
Minimum Desirable Stream Flow

IGUCA statute was challenged

Cleaned-up 400 abandoned files

Rice and ethanol

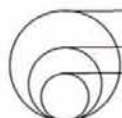
2005 Reported Water Use, by Type of Use for Kansas Counties



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Pratt: 86,794 AF
McPherson: 38,321 AF
Lane: 16,896 AF

Use Made of Water

Irrigation Municipal Stockwater
Industrial Recreation

Disclaimer: Features on this map represent conditions as of the date of the map and are subject to change. The user is referred to specific policies, regulations and/or orders of the Chief Engineer.

Percentages of 1.5% or less do not show up in the pie charts.

This map is intended for planning purposes only.

0 25 50 100 Miles

Questions?

